DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below-named inventors, we hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled NOVEL BAG PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES ENCODING THEM, the specification of which

			-	is attached hereto as Attorney Docket	
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				Docket No. P-LJ 3737.	
and	was	amended	on	(or amended through)	
				(if applicable)	

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to myself to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56.

Under Sec. 1.56, information is material to patentability when it is not cumulative to information already of record or being made of record in the application, and (1) It establishes, by itself or in combination with other

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information, a prima facie case of unpatentability of a claim; or (2) It refutes, or is inconsistent with, a position the applicant takes in: (i) Opposing an argument of unpatentability relied on by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, or (ii) Asserting an argument of patentability.

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, \$119(e) of the United States application listed below, which was converted to a provisional application by Petition under 37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.53(c)(2)(i):

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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